

DELEGATES INSTRUCTED FOR WADE

Marlow Man Gets Support of County for
National Committee After Lively
Argument is Staged in County
Convention

FINAL ACTION IS MADE UNANIMOUS

Resolutions Endorse State and National
Administrations, Pledging Untinted Sup-
port to Policies of President; Hutson
for National Delegate

At the Democratic convention held in the auditorium of the city hall in Chickasha Saturday afternoon, J. D. Carmichael, chairman of the committee to select delegates to attend the state convention in Oklahoma City, April 11, reported the following list of fifty-two, which was unanimously adopted, each delegate to the state convention to be entitled to one-half vote and the unit rule to apply: J. B. Bowers, Amber; C. B. Campbell, Ira Johnson and J. W. Morgan, Minco; A. E. Henning, F. P. Henry and J. E. Shelton, Tuttle; R. P. Winn and R. S. Osborne, Pocomasset; H. K. Ellis and G. W. Austin, Verden; C. H. Bowers, Hillsboro; C. M. Lents, Ninnekah; J. R. Burleson and S. E. Lee, Washington; K. H. May, Starr; William Huntley, G. W. Crittenden, M. K. Collins and Joe McDonald, Rush Springs; T. R. Baker, Simpson; William Parsley, Parsley; Joe Martin, Bradley; Robert Alexander, Alex; Walter Griffin and C. A. Dearmon, Naples; J. D. Carmichael, M. F. Courtney, R. H. Wilson, F. M. Bailey, O. Coffman, L. C. Hutson, B. B. Barfoot, Frank Plato, N. M. Williams, John Lewis, Will Linn, Col. O'Neil, Ed F. Johns, R. E. Davenport, Bob Murray, S. C. Durbin, W. P. Ramey, Ad Melton, George Barefoot, J. R. Callahan, L. A. Sanders, Alger Melton, Jim Dillon, A. L. Herr, L. E. Emanuel, Chickasha.

The selection of the delegates followed the adoption of the report of the resolutions committee, carrying with it a resolution endorsing and instructing for Tom Wade for national committeeman.

When the report of the resolutions committee came before the convention for adoption a miniature tempest started in the anti-Wade wing, led by Dr. A. E. Henning of Tuttle, and Frank Plato of Chickasha. This discussion ended in withdrawal of original Wade endorsement. Section 6, and the adoption of a substitute section, introduced by Judge Williams, the substitute carrying the Wade instruction.

The time of the convention was occupied for one hour and twenty minutes in the effort to send an un-instructed delegation, led by Dr. Henning, who had been defeated earlier in the day by H. K. Ellis, of Verden, for the temporary chairmanship. At times the discussion between the Wade and the LaFayette factions waxed warm and the rulings of the chair would be appealed from, while motions and counter-motions would be made and withdrawn or voted down.

The culmination of the argument was reached when Frank Plato, of the anti-Wade faction declared that it would be bad politics to instruct for Wade because he was a national banker and this fact, coupled with the usury law, would result in a large defection of Democratic voters to the Socialist ranks. To this assertion J. W. Morgan, of Minco, replied in a ten minute talk in which he stated that any man who would desert the party on this account was already at heart a socialist and not a Democrat.

Following the remarks of Mr. Morgan, which were received with vociferous applause the vote on the Williams substitute for number six of the resolutions was taken up by precincts. Before the roll call of precincts had been completed, however, Dr. Henning, of the anti-Wade element interrupted and asked that the resolution carrying with it the Wade instruction, be adopted unanimously. "You've got us beat, so let's make it by acclamation," Dr. Henning said.

The resolutions as reported finally and adopted follow:

1. We express our faith in the ability of the Democratic party to guaran-

tee to the people of Oklahoma, honest and efficient public officers and an economic and business like administration of public affairs.

2. We endorse the state administration under the honest, fearless and able leads, Governor R. L. Williams. We commend the administration and its several departments for the efficient and conscientious administration of the state's affairs, the fearless and just enforcement of the laws, and the able and constructive legislation enacted.

3. We endorse the Democratic party in its efforts to require corporate wealth and public service interests to acknowledge and obey the laws of this state, compel every class of property (Continued on Page Two.)

OBJECT TO WORKING ON ROADS

A pretty little legal battle is on deck ready for the rising of the curtain this afternoon, when it will be decided whether or not certain prisoners fined in the city courts and turned over to the county, will work the county roads. The prisoners, Dan Kelly, "Tennessee Red" and "Baby Slim" have seen a lawyer and state that they feel sure they cannot be made to join the ranks of the common herd who are at present working on certain roads of the county under the supervision of Nim Wyatt, foreman in charge.

"They are a bad lot," said Mayor Coffman this morning, "and should be made to work out their fines. Kelley has only recently been released from the penal institution at Cozart. Of course, if the prisoners are out and the court holds that they cannot be sent to the county roads, they will work the streets or get mighty hungry. If they refuse to work the streets they will have a chance to fatten on bread three times a day, mixed with all the water their little hearts may desire."

Oscar Simpson, who has been seen by the prisoners, stated that the law was very clearly construed to mean that prisoners might be turned over to the county by the city and that might be worked upon the county roads provided they, the prisoners, did not enter objections to working, but that in event they did object, the county had no authority to work them.

It was stated at the jail this morning that the wagon would be in from the convict camp, thirteen miles east of Chickasha on the Chickasha-Tabler road, this afternoon and that, unless enjoined, the officers would probably escort the three obstreperous ones to the camp.

Dan Kelley was fined \$25 Saturday afternoon in Mayor Coffman's court for fighting; "Tennessee Red" was fined Friday in the sum of \$25 on vag charges and has a prior fine of \$50 hanging over him; "Baby Slim," an Ethiopian of Lilly of the valley habits was also jailed on Friday in the sum of \$25 on vag charges.

Chas. Crisp, fined \$50 for fighting, on Saturday afternoon, has paid his fine and been released from custody.

TUESDAY IS ELECTION DAY IN CITY

Tomorrow, Tuesday, April 4, will be the date of the city election. Chickasha has one alderman to elect from each of the four wards. The Democrats and Socialists each have a ticket in the field. The Democratic candidates are Hayes, Cavett, Lorenson and Nea, each running to succeed himself.

In addition to the election of alderman from the four wards, the people will vote upon the proposition of whether or not the city of Chickasha shall incur an indebtedness of \$10,000 for the purpose of motorizing and adding to the equipment of the Chickasha fire department.

There will not be a bond proposition before the people, as many are alleged to believe. The fire equipment, should the proposition carry, will be purchased on the open account plan and funds will be available from the supply fund to meet the payments as they fall due.

DUMMY BATTERY ERECTED ON RAFT TO DRAW FIRE



A dummy battery erected by the Russians on a snow-covered raft, designed to draw the fire of the Germans and to lead to a waste of ammunition.

DAUGHTER OF WILSON IS WINNER

Margaret Brings Opponents into Line
Just Like Papa in Fight With Mem-
bers of Conservative Wash-
ington School Board

By United Press.
Washington, April 3.—President Wilson's daughter, Miss Margaret Wilson, is showing Washington today that her father is not the only member of the White House family gifted with powers to bring congressmen and such into line.

Miss Wilson for some months has been engaged in a battle of politics with Washington's Board of Education, a conservative institution appointed by courts and not responsible to the people. Her battle is about to come to a successful conclusion in the House, where Representative Johnson of Kentucky has introduced a bill intended to bring the board into line, broaden the schools' field of usefulness and add another scalp to the already large Wilson collection.

Miss Wilson have advanced ideas about a city. She believes school houses may be used to advantage by grown folks as community centers, civic forums and such. The people were in favor of it, all along.

Finally, Representative Crosser of Ohio introduced a bill providing that school houses might be used as civic centers. Senator Hollis sponsored the bill in the Senate. Permission was granted for mothers and fathers to meet at the schools to discuss school affairs, politics, war, and if they wanted to, fashions. Citizens' associations, of which there are about seventy-five, also made use of them.

In the Grover Cleveland school, one of the first to take advantage of the law, the people decided to meet on Sunday afternoons. The Board of Education didn't see it that way. If there were to be any meetings, the board said, it—the Board—would say when they were to be held.

Miss Wilson went right up and saw the congressmen about it. She didn't have to go any farther than Johnson of Kentucky, chairman of the District committee.

Early in March (1916) the Board of Education waked up to find that Congress was by way of passing a bill which said that ten schools, in given sections, should be named as community forums.

Further, the bill said specifically that the people in the sections, if they wanted to organize, could go right ahead. When they were organized, the bill went on, they were to name the time and place of meeting. The Board of Education, left to hold the sack, was told it was made responsible for the plan, and that its duty lay in seeing that nothing went wrong with the plan.

All the Board has to do is jump right up and say, "Yes, sir" when a properly-organized section voices a desire to meet at the schoolhouse. The bill itself looks innocent enough. It says, in parenthesis, that it was introduced "by request."

Col. Jack Hale of Naples was among the visitors in the city today.

WEATHER FORECAST.
For Oklahoma.
Tonight and Tuesday, un-
settled.
Local Temperature.
During 24 hours ending 8
a. m. today:
Maximum 58; minimum, 35.

DEPUTY IS APPOINTED

Court Clerk Newman this morning announced the appointment of Miss Adola Zinn as chief deputy in his office, succeeding Mrs. Edna T. Watkins who has severed her connection with the office after a number of years service. The appointment of Miss Zinn, Mr. Newman stated this morning, is a temporary one.

Mrs. Watkins stated this morning that she had no plans as to the business she might engage in at the present and said that it was possible she would devote her entire time to her candidacy for the court clerkship nomination.

Miss Zinn is an experienced stenographer and an adept in the routine work of the office. She has served for the past several months as assistant to County Superintendent Shepard.

JAP SHIP HITS ROCK

By United Press.
Tokio, April 3.—According to reports reaching here today the Japanese steamer Wakatsu Maru struck a rock and sank off the coast near Nagasaki.

While the details of the disaster are not known, it is indicated that the loss of life was seventy-six passengers and twenty members of the crew.

TRINITY RIVER AT HIGH STAGE

By United Press.
Dallas, Tex., April 3.—The weather bureau announced that the Trinity river would reach the forty foot stage today and then begin to fall.

Katy trains today on the Denton branch are detouring over the Texas and Pacific on account of flooded tracks.

Hundreds of residents of west Dallas and the Trinity river bottoms were driven from their homes Sunday and last night.

PAYS FINE FOR LARCENY

Esker McAllister, who was fined \$25 and costs a month ago in Judge O'Connell's court on charges of petit larceny in having, according to the charges of the state, stolen one ham and one shoulder of hog meat from Jake Matz, of Ninnekah, appeared before the court this morning and paid the fine and costs amounting to a total of \$47.25. The defendant has been out upon stay bond since the date of his trial.

PURSUERS ARE ELUDED BY BANDIT

"Slipped Collar and Crawled Under Fence"
is Comment of Funston; Troops Hin-
dered in Search by False
Information

By United Press.
San Antonio, Tex., April 3.—"It is my belief that Villa has slipped the collar and crawled under the fence." This was Gen. Funston's comment today on the progress of the Mexican man hunt.

The American troops are said to be greatly hampered in the search by false information given by Mexicans. It is believed that the American columns are near Chihuahua today but there was no report from Pershing and no definite news from other sources.

The roads south of Casas Grandes are reported to be much improved. Five powerful automobiles are being used as couriers between El Valle and the extreme front. Twenty Apache scouts, the greatest trailers in the world, will go to the front next week to track the outlaw.

By United Press.
El Paso, Tex., April 3.—It is feared this morning that Villa has eluded his American pursuers.

Unless the bandit leader is located soon the search in the territory about Guerrero will be abandoned and the Parral district to the south will be invaded. It is considered quite likely that he is headed in that direction where he has many sympathizers.

That Villa was seriously wounded as reported by official Carranza sources is beginning to be doubted. Wild rumors of lack of Carranza co-operation in the chase are officially discredited.

Deserters from Carranza

By United Press.
Washington, April 3.—Semi-official advices today state that many of the Villistas wounded in the fight Wednesday were deserters from the command of Col. Cano's Carranzistas. Officials, however, see no significance in these reports, believing that the men were only individual desertions to the forces of Villa.

SUFFER HARDSHIPS IN ANTARCTIC WATERS

By United Press.
Port Chalmers, New Zealand, April 3.—The Aurora, an auxiliary ship of the Shackleton Antarctic expedition, returned here after undergoing terrible hardships in Ross sea.

The ship drifted rudderless for ten months. The provisions of the men were exhausted and they were compelled to subsist upon seal and penguin flesh.

By United Press.
Western Union reports re-
ports received at 8 a. m. today:
Texas—Generally clear and
cool.
Oklahoma—Generally clear
to part cloudy; cool.

GAS EXPLOSION IN
GARAGE IS FATAL
Tulsa, Okla., April 3.—An explosion of sewer gas today in the garage of E. N. Kemp, millionaire oil operator, fatally injured Harry Wilson and R. N. Harris.

ROAD GANG PUSHING WORK
Nim Wyatt, who has charge of the county convict gang in camp on West Winter creek, was in Chickasha today. Mr. Wyatt stated that the gang has been pushing the work of grubbing on the Chickasha-Tabler road and that as soon as the ground dries from the recent rains, the graders may be started.

SESSION OF CO. BOARD IS OPENED

The board of county commissioners met in regular monthly session this morning with all board members present. J. A. Corzine, commissioner, presiding.

Following the filing, auditing and approval of the reports of the county officers for the month of March the matter of moving the county road bridge on the ten acre line on Sec. 3, township 6, range 6, west, to a point 220 yards north and on the line between sections 9 and 4, township 6, range 6, west, was called for hearing and the report of the county engineer filed.

This matter is the final of the long drawn out Lucile road controversy. The Lucile road matter was settled at the last meeting of the commissioners, with the exception of this portion, and the road ordered opened. The engineer's report, filed this morning, states that the cost of moving and rebuilding the bridge will be \$500; that Dave Hill will expect the county to pay him at the rate of \$65 per acre for right-of-way on the section line and that he would also demand that his fences be moved and repaired along the said section line at the expense of the county.

Action upon the matter was passed until this afternoon.

On motion it was resolved that the county road bridge between sections 29 and 30, township 8, range 6, west, be moved to the section line between sections 11 and 12, township 7, range 6, west. The expense of moving this bridge to be defrayed by D. T. Brown, G. H. Young and J. T. Ray, the county to furnish a supervisor to rebuild the bridge.

M. J. Smidley reported to the board that—McAfee had forbidden him moving the separate school house in district No. 92, sold to him by the county commissioners some time since. It was agreed that the county attorney and Commissioner Bryant should see Mr. McAfee in the matter.

Mrs. Ward, of 712 Chickasha avenue, appeared before the board and asked for aid from the county. Matter passed to a later date of the present meeting.

SITUATION DESCRIBED AS SERIOUS

By United Press.
Washington, April 3.—The receipt of additional news in the form of an affidavit today strengthened the belief of administration officials that a German submarine was responsible for recent attacks on vessels carrying Americans.

The situation is again described as very serious. The cabinet will meet tomorrow to take up and consider the additional proofs that have been submitted. It is thought possible that Germany's attitude will then be known.

Early Reply Expected.

By United Press.
Washington, April 3.—Ambassador Gerard cabled to the state department today that he anticipated an early reply from Germany to the request of the United States government for information regarding the sinking of the Sussex and other vessels.

WRATH OF JOHN BULL IS AROUSED

Third Zeppelin Raid in Seventy-Two Hours
Causes Wave of Indignation to Sweep
England; Invaders Denounced
as "Baby Killers"

FRENCH CLAIM ATTACK ON FT. VAUX IS HALTED

Germans Bombarding on West Bank of
Meuse with French Guns Replying;
Two More Steamers
are Sunk

By United Press.
London, April 3.—It was officially announced today that three children were killed and two women and four children injured in last night's Zeppelin raid on the Scottish coast.

By United Press.
London, April 3.—Following the third Zeppelin raid within seventy-two hours, with casualties reaching a total of three hundred, a wave of indignation over the killing of non-combatants has swept England.

The members of the crew of the Zeppelin that was captured Saturday are denounced as "baby killers" and the government is being urged to make an example of them.

Another Liner is Sunk.

By United Press.
London, April 3.—The Holt Line's Achilles is merely reported as sunk without warning, in the official statement issued today.

It is believed that four members of the crew were drowned. Sixty-three are known to have been rescued.

It is also reported that the unarmed Glasgow steamer Perth was sunk with the loss of six lives.

Offensive is Checked.

By United Press.
Paris, April 3.—The German offensive with twenty thousand troops, aiming to surround Fort Vaux, was halted by a French counter attack, it was reported today. It is claimed that the French gained ground in the Calletta woods southeast of Fort Douaumont.

On the west bank of the Meuse the Germans bombarded Haucourt and Esnes, with the French guns replying from Hill No. 314 304.

It is reported that Dunkirk was raided by a Zeppelin, eight bombs being dropped, killing two persons and injuring four.

Germans Worried About Crops.

By United Press.
The Hague, April 3.—Germans are worrying already concerning the coming harvest. Newspapers from the Kaiser's side of the frontier lay much stress on the fact that relief from present semi-famine conditions is more important than even the greatest military gains.

The anxious tone of this comment strongly suggests that the press puts little faith in the official attribution of 1915's comparatively unsatisfactory showing to bad weather.

As a matter of fact, it is asserted, the area of land under cultivation actually decreased and it is denied that in any case was cultivation as intensive as it should have been.

For one thing, it is said that so large a proportion of agricultural laborers were drafted into the army that work was left to inexperienced hands. The government is cautiously urged to consider that the importance of a good crop this year is sufficient to warrant even the temporary release of men from military duty if they are needed on the farms.

A shortage of draft cattle is complained of and last year, it is stated, the supply of seed and fertilizer was adversely affected by the strain on the railroads.

CEMENT BOY REPORTED

DESERTER FROM ARMY
The United States war department is sending out descriptive circulars asking the apprehension of Keener K. Melton, private of the first class, hospital corps, alleged to have deserted from Fort D. A. Russell, Wyoming. Melton enlisted August 17, 1911, and gave his place of residence, at the time of enlistment, as Cement, Okla.